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PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE THIRTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE

Draft provisional agenda for the thirty-seventh session of the Committee

Note by the Secretariat

1. In pursuance of paragraph 2 (e) of Economic and Social Council resolution 1979/41 of 10 May 1979 and paragraph 2 of General Assembly resolution 34/50 of 23 November 1979, the Committee shall submit to the Council and to the Assembly, for their review, the provisional agenda for its thirty-seventh session, together with the required documentation.

2. In its decision 1983/163 of 22 July 1983, the Economic and Social Council requested the Secretary-General to bring to the attention of intergovernmental and expert bodies, before decisions were adopted, any request for documentation that exceeded the ability of the Secretariat to prepare and process on time and within its approved resources; and to draw the attention of intergovernmental bodies to areas where duplication of documentation was likely to occur and/or where opportunities for integrating or consolidating documents that dealt with related or similar themes might exist, with a view to rationalizing documentation.

3. In its resolution 50/206 C of 23 December 1995, the Assembly adopted several measures on control and limitation of documentation, whereby, inter alia, it requested members of all bodies to exercise restraint in making proposals containing requests for new reports, and invited all bodies to consider the possibility of biennializing or triennializing the presentation of reports, to review the necessity of all recurrent documents with a view to

streamlining documentation and contributing to savings and to make appropriate recommendations. The Assembly encouraged members of intergovernmental bodies to (a) consider the possibility of requesting oral reports, without prejudice to the provision of information to delegations in all the official languages; and (b) request consolidated reports on related topics under a single item or sub-item where appropriate and cost-effective.

4. The draft provisional agenda, as set out below, for the thirty-seventh session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination, prepared on the basis of existing legislative authority, will be completed at the end of the present session in the light of the recommendations adopted by the Committee:

1. Election of officers.

2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.

3. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (General Assembly resolution 45/254 A, para. 17)

4. Programme questions:

(a) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999;

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 (in fascicle form)

(b) Evaluation.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the programme on statistics (A/49/16 (Part one), para. 34)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the in-depth evaluation of the Department of Humanitarian Affairs (ibid.)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the study on the effects of the reorganization of the United Nations Environment Programme (A/50/16, para. 247; E/AC.51/1995/3, recommendation 23)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the triennial review of the implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee for

Programme and Coordination at its thirty-fourth session on the evaluation of the United Nations programme on social development (A/48/16 (Part one), para. 35)

5. Coordination questions:

(a) Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination;

Documentation

Annual overview report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1996

(b) Revised System-wide Plan of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the revised System-wide Plan of Action for African Economic Recovery and Development (A/49/16 (Part two), para. 162)

6. Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit.

7. Provisional agenda for the thirty-eighth session of the Committee.

8. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its thirty-seventh session.